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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b),  
is a Continuation application of PCT International Application  
No. PCT/JP02/04650 filed on May 14, 2002.

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For: WRAPPER PAPER FOR SMOKING ARTICLES DECREASING THE  
AMOUNT OF VISIBLE SIDESTREAM SMOKE OF TOBACCO

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Thirty-Nine (39) pages
- ☒ Five (5) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119  
based on Application No(s). 2001-146537 filed in Japan on  
May 16, 2001.
- ☒ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.

- ☒ Executed Declaration    ☒ Original    ☐ Photocopy  
☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.  
☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)  
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
☒ Priority of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/04650 filed on May 14, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.  
☐ Other:

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